

Advances in Ice Sheet Model Initialization Using the First Order Model

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GOAL

Find ice sheet initial state that

- matches observations (surface velocity)
- is in “equilibrium” with climate forcings (SMB)

by inverting for unknown/uncertain parameters.

Significantly reduce non physical transients without spin-up.

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Estimation of ice sheet initial state

Problem details

Problem: what is the initial thermo-mechanical state of the ice sheet?

Available data/measurements

- *ice extension and surface topography*
- *surface velocity*
- *Surface Mass Balance (SMB)*
- *ice thickness H (very noisy)*

Fields to be estimated

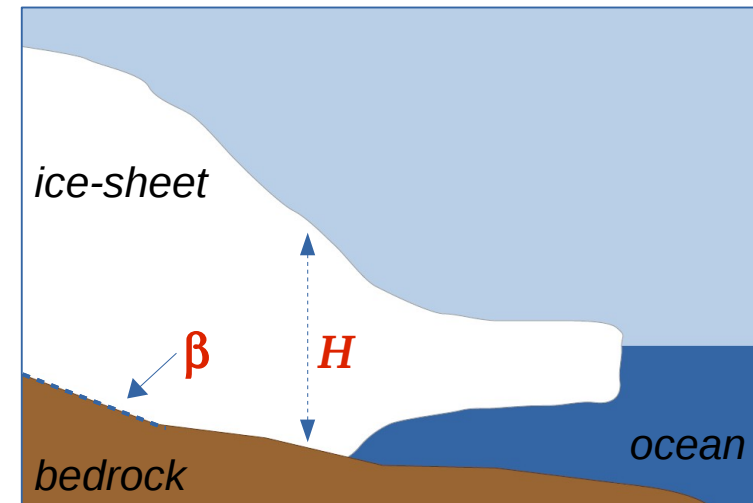
- *ice thickness H*
- *basal friction β*

Additional information

- *ice fulfills **nonlinear Stokes equation***
- *ice is almost **at mechanical equilibrium***

Assumption (for now)

- *given **temperature field***



Forward model: First order (FO) Stokes approximation

Model equations

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & \frac{1}{2}(u_y + v_x) & \frac{1}{2}(u_z + \cancel{w_x}) \\ \frac{1}{2}(u_y + v_x) & v_y & \frac{1}{2}(v_z + \cancel{w_y}) \\ \frac{1}{2}(u_z + \cancel{w_x}) & \frac{1}{2}(v_z + \cancel{w_y}) & w_z \end{bmatrix}$$

incompressibility:
 $w_z = -(u_x + v_y)$
 quasi-hydrostatic approximation:
 $p = \rho g(s - z) - 2\mu(u_x + v_y)$

FO is a nonlinear system of elliptic equations in the horizontal velocities:

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot (2\mu \mathbf{D}_1) = -\rho g \frac{\partial s}{\partial x} \\ -\nabla \cdot (2\mu \mathbf{D}_2) = -\rho g \frac{\partial s}{\partial y}, \end{cases} \quad \mathbf{D}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2u_x + v_y \\ \frac{1}{2}(u_y + v_x) \\ \frac{1}{2}u_z \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{D}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(u_y + v_x) \\ u_x + 2v_y \\ \frac{1}{2}v_z \end{bmatrix}$$

where s is the ice surface and,

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2} A^{-\frac{1}{n}} \dot{\epsilon}_e^{\left(\frac{1}{n}-1\right)}, \quad \dot{\epsilon}_e = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\mathbf{D}^2)}, \quad A : \text{flow factor}$$

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Steady state equations and basal sliding conditions

How to prescribe ice sheet mechanical equilibrium:

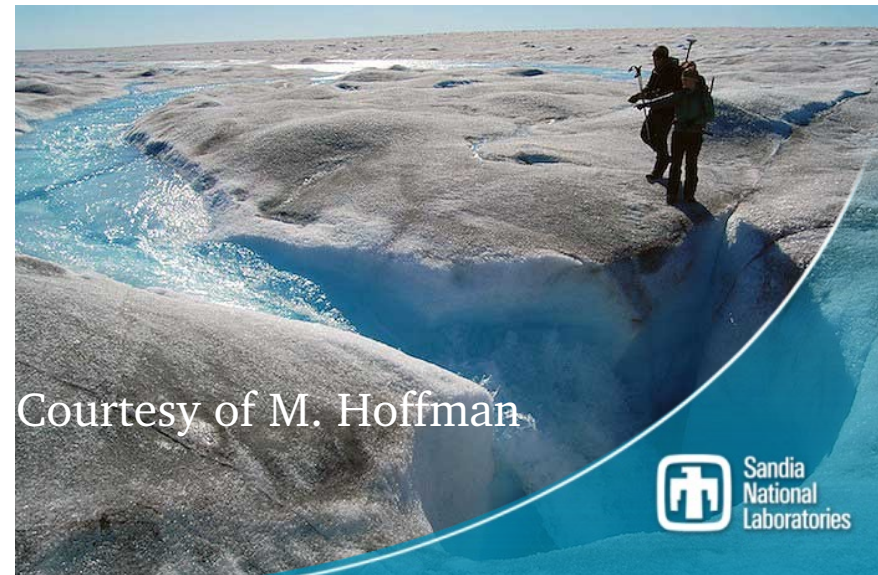
$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = -\text{div}(\mathbf{U}H) + \tau_s, \quad \mathbf{U} = \frac{1}{H} \int_z \mathbf{u} dz.$$

flux divergence
↓
Surface Mass Balance ↑

$$\text{div}(\mathbf{U}H) - \tau_s + \left\{ \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} \right\}^{obs} = 0$$

Boundary condition at ice-bedrock interface :

$$(\sigma \mathbf{n} + \beta \mathbf{u})_{\parallel} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{on} \quad \Gamma_{\beta}$$



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PDE-constrained optimization problem: cost functional

Problem: find initial conditions such that the ice is almost at thermo-mechanical equilibrium, given the geometry and the SMB, and matches available observations.

Optimization problem:

find β and H that minimizes the functional \mathcal{J}

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{J}(\beta, H) = & \int_{\Sigma} \frac{1}{\sigma_u^2} |\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^{obs}|^2 ds && \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{surface velocity} \\ \text{mismatch} \end{array} \right\} \text{Common} \\ & + \int_{\Sigma} \frac{1}{\sigma_{\tau}^2} |\text{div}(\mathbf{U}H) - \tau_s|^2 ds && \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{SMB} \\ \text{mismatch} \end{array} \right\} \text{Proposed} \\ & + \int_{\Sigma} \frac{1}{\sigma_H^2} |H - H^{obs}|^2 ds && \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{thickness} \\ \text{mismatch} \end{array} \right\} \\ & + \mathcal{R}(\beta, H) && \text{regularization terms.}\end{aligned}$$

subject to ice sheet model equations
(FO or Stokes)

\mathbf{U} : computed depth averaged velocity

H : ice thickness

β : basal sliding friction coefficient

τ_s : SMB

$\mathcal{R}(\beta)$ regularization term

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PDE-constrained optimization problem: gradient computation

Find (β, H) that minimize $\mathcal{J}(\beta, H, \mathbf{u})$
subject to $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{u}, \beta, H) = 0 \leftarrow$ flow model

How to compute **total derivatives** of the functional w.r.t. the parameters?

Solve State System

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{u}, \beta, H) = 0$$

Solve Adjoint System

$$\langle \mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{u}}^*(\boldsymbol{\lambda}), \boldsymbol{\delta}_{\mathbf{u}} \rangle = \mathcal{J}_{\mathbf{u}}(\boldsymbol{\delta}), \quad \forall \boldsymbol{\delta}_{\mathbf{u}}$$

Total derivatives

$$\mathcal{G}(\delta_{\beta}, \delta_H) = \mathcal{J}_{(\beta, H)}(\delta_{\beta}, \delta_H) - \langle \boldsymbol{\lambda}, \mathcal{F}_{(\beta, H)}(\delta_{\beta}, \delta_H) \rangle$$

Derivative w.r.t. β

$$\mathcal{G}_1(\delta_{\beta}) = \alpha_{\beta} \int_{\Sigma} \nabla \beta \cdot \nabla \delta_{\beta} \, ds - \int_{\Sigma} \delta_{\beta} \mathbf{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\lambda} \, ds$$

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Algorithm and Software tools used

ALGORITHM	SOFTWARE TOOLS
Basal nonuniform triangular mesh	Triangle
Linear Finite Elements on tetrahedra	LifeV
Quasi-Newton optimization (L-BFGS)	Rol
Nonlinear solver (Newton method)	NOX
Krylov linear solvers	AztecOO/IfPack



Details:

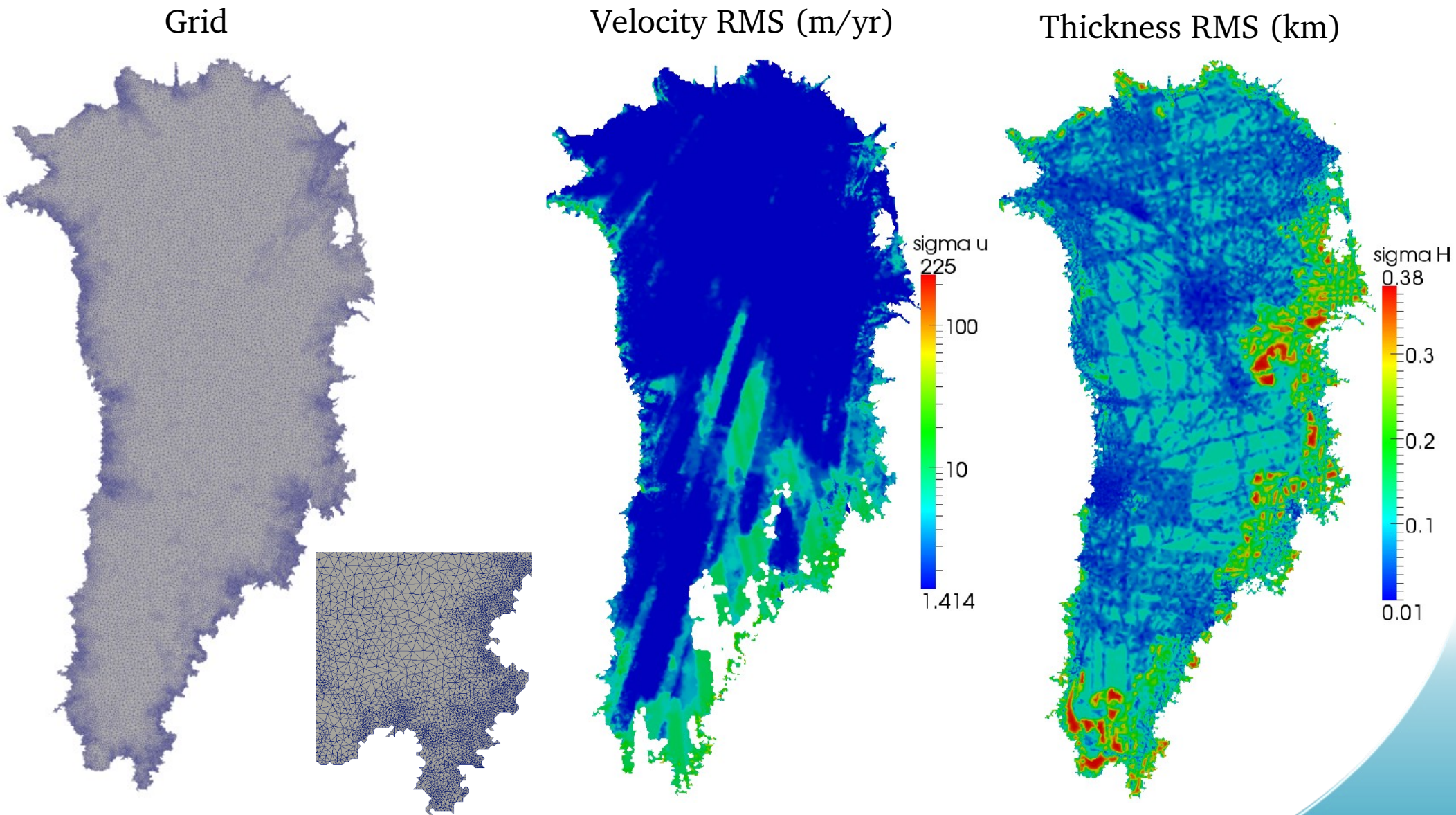
Regularization terms: Tikhonov

L-BFGS initialized with Hessian of the regularization terms

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} \beta^T L \beta \rightarrow L \right)$$

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Grid and RMS of velocity and errors associated with velocity and thickness observations



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Inversion results: surface velocities

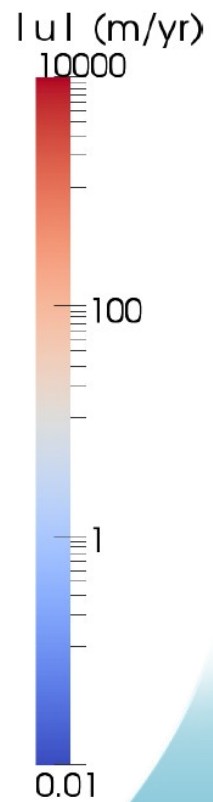
computed surface velocity

common

proposed

observed surface velocity

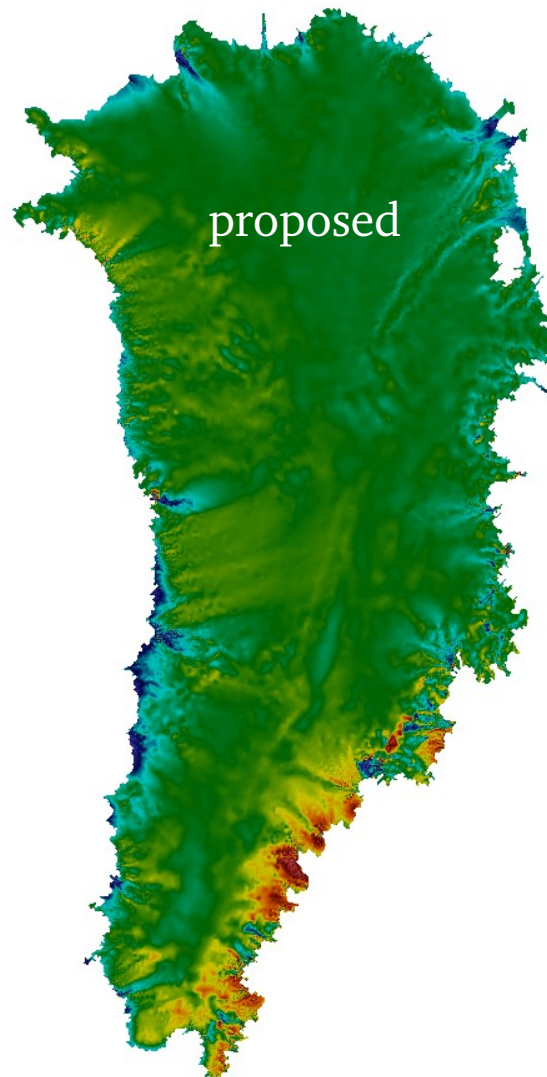
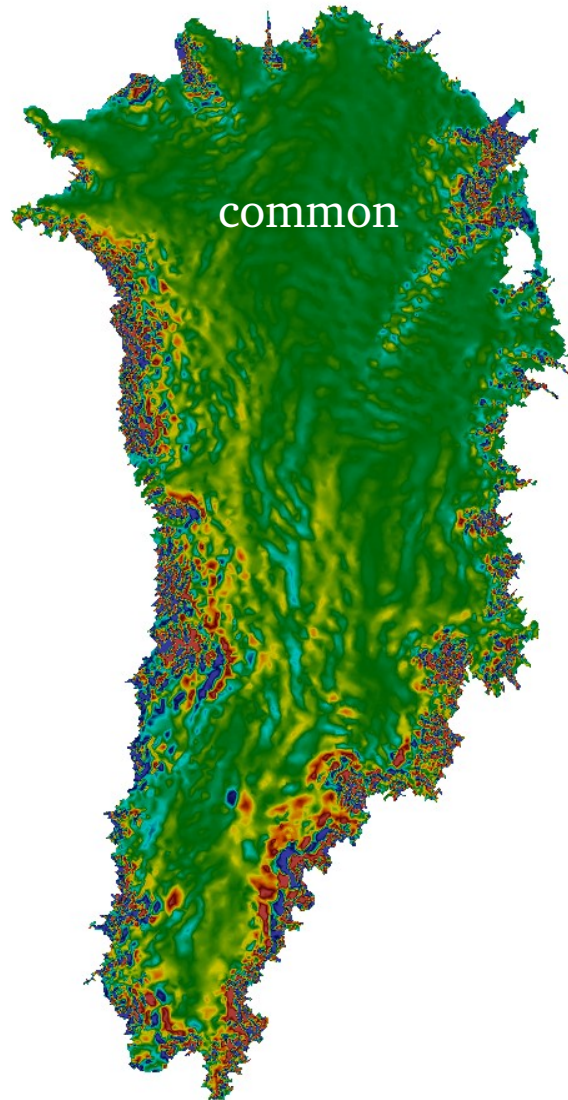
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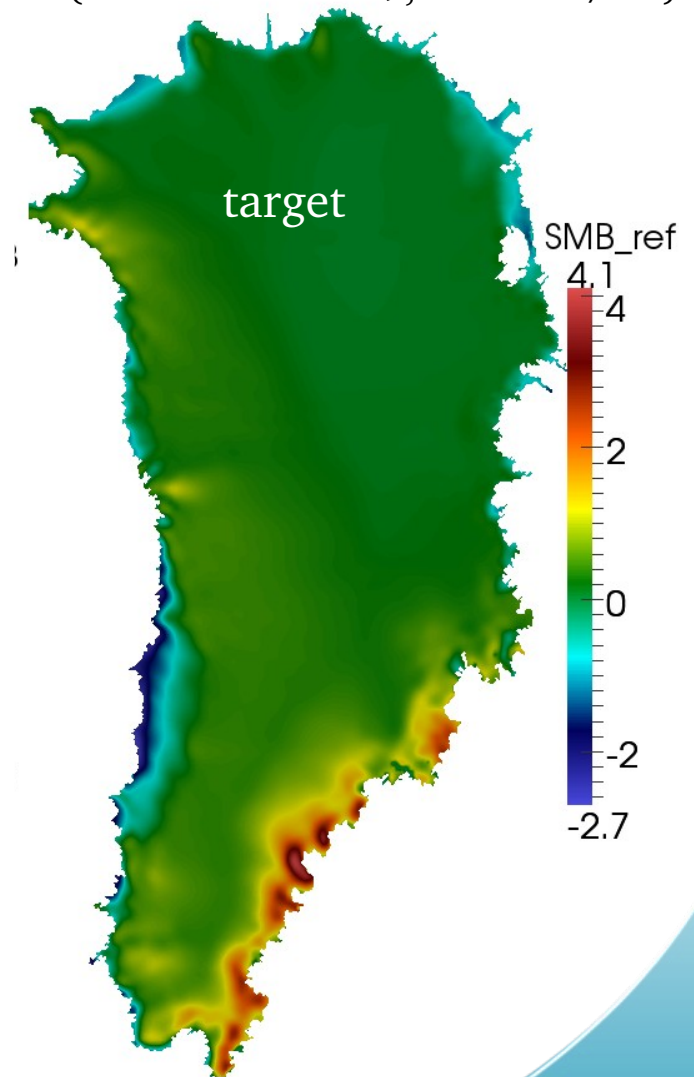
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Inversion results: surface mass balance (SMB)

SMB needed for equilibrium



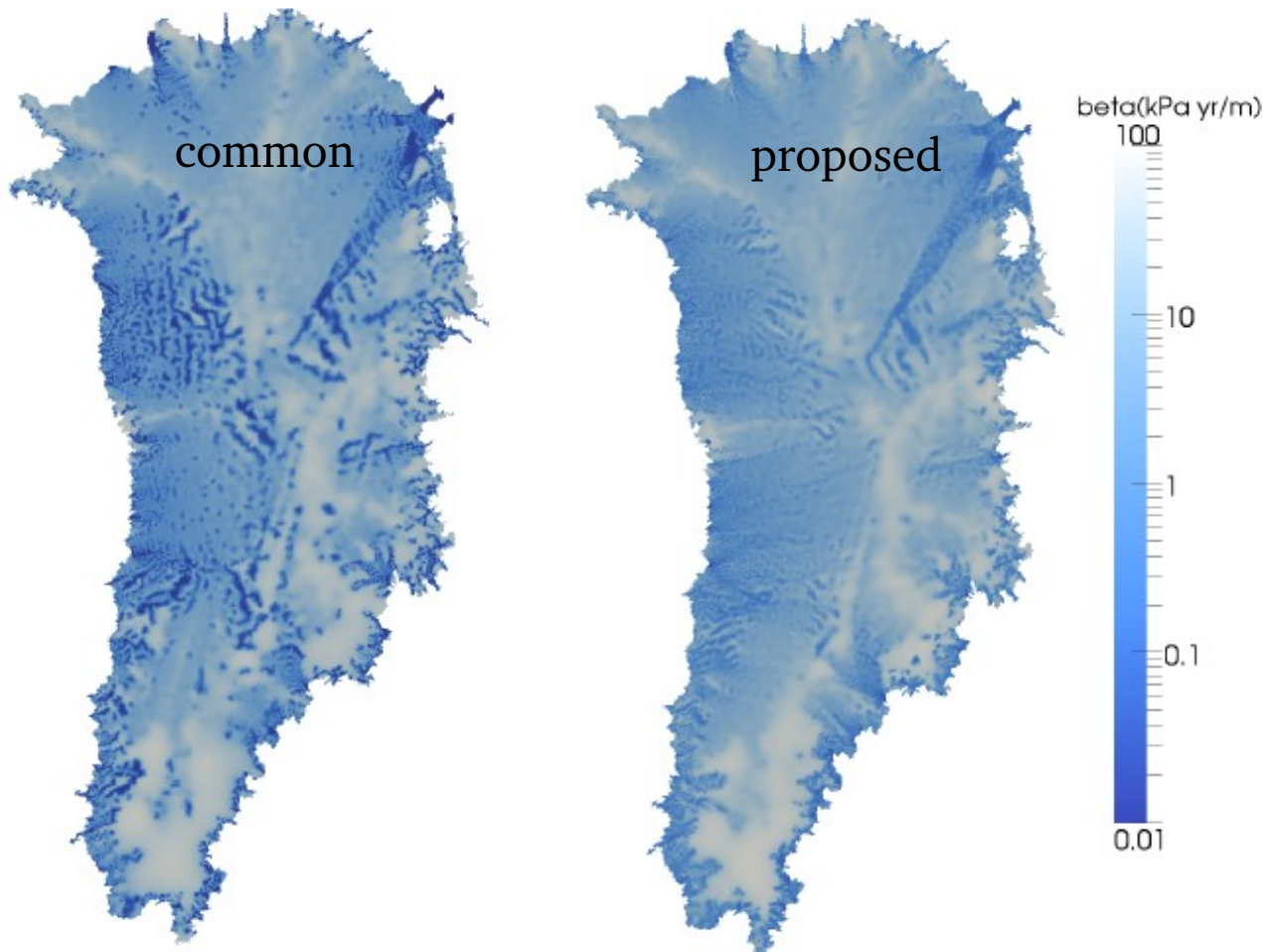
SMB from climate model
(Ettema et al. 2009, RACMO2/GR)



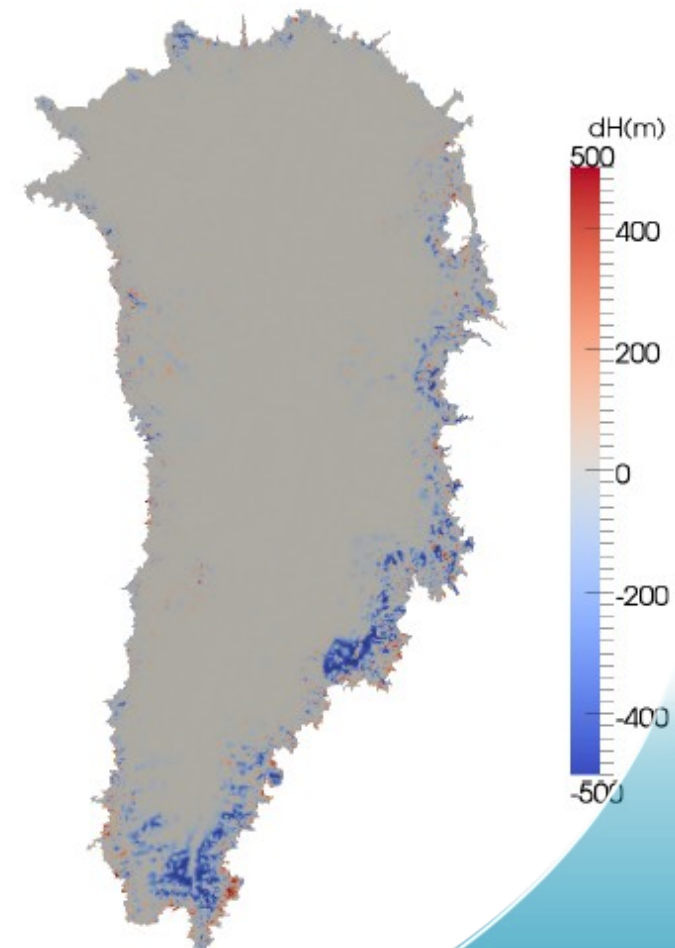
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Estimated beta and change in topography

recovered basal friction



difference between recovered and observed thickness



Implementation of adjoints capability in newer code Albany-FELIX (w/ E. Phipps, A. Salinger, D. Ridzal and D. Kouri [SNL])

Albany-Felix: Albany ice sheet solver

Why?

- to exploit Automatic Differentiation for computing derivatives
- to exploit Albany/Trilinos ecosystem (e.g. for UQ capabilities using Dakota)
- to use in-house software (better maintainability)

Features:

- automatic differentiations to compute adjoints and objective functional derivatives
- coupled with ROL (Rapid Optimization Library) package in Trilinos, to perform reduced gradient based optimization
- coupling with Dakota for UQ capabilities

TODO:

- Implement Hessian to use quasi-Newton methods
- Add shape optimization to be able to invert for bedrock topography
- Improve robustness of inversion and explore different optimization strategies

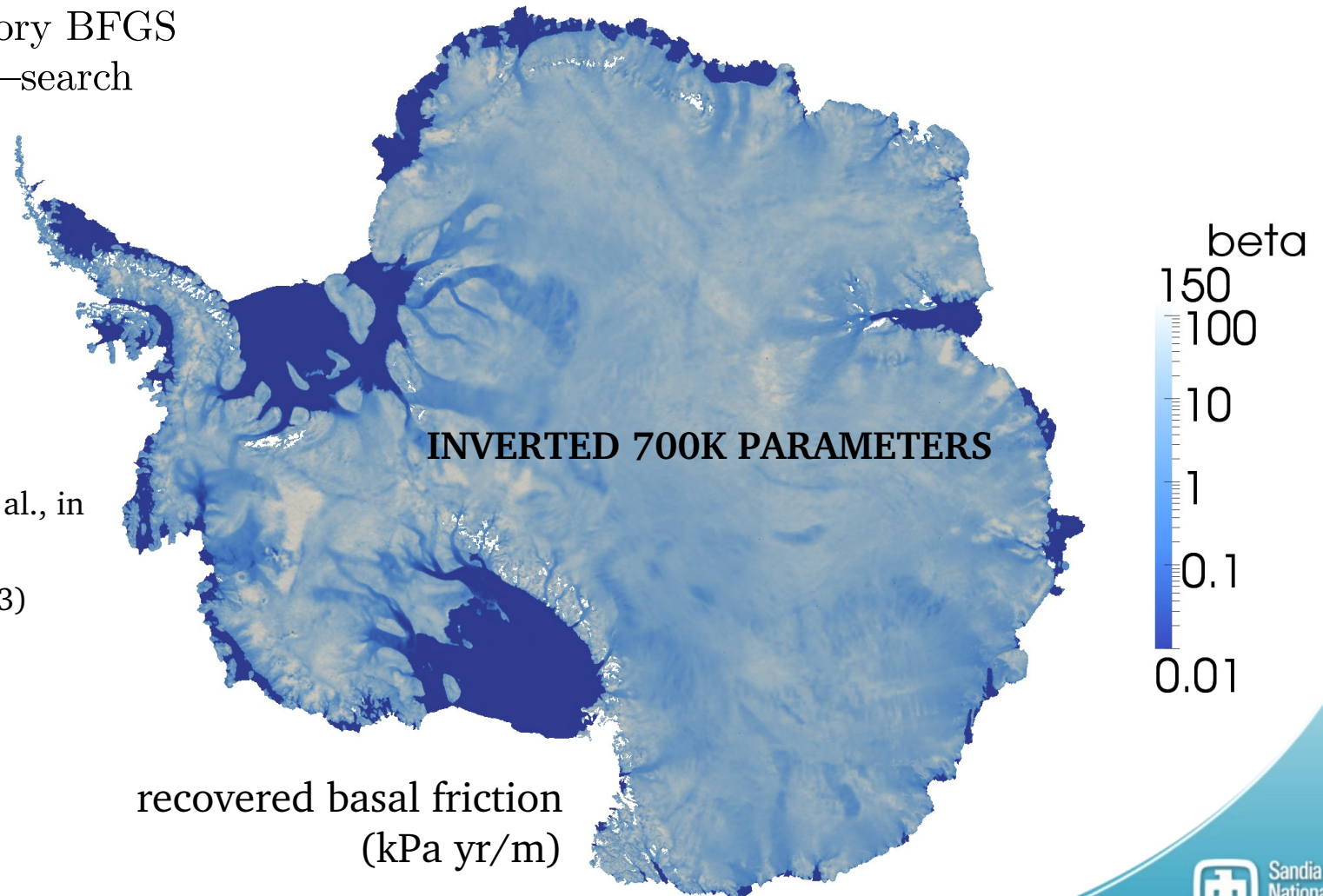
(see A. Salinger's talk on Tuesday, 2:40pm, room 258, MS225)

Antarctica Inversion using Albany-Piro-ROL

Objective functional: $\mathcal{J}(\mathbf{u}(\beta), \beta) = \int_{\Sigma} \frac{1}{\sigma_u^2} |\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^{obs}|^2 ds + \alpha \int_{\Sigma} |\nabla \beta|^2 ds$

ROL algorithm:

- Limited-Memory BFGS
- Backtrack line-search



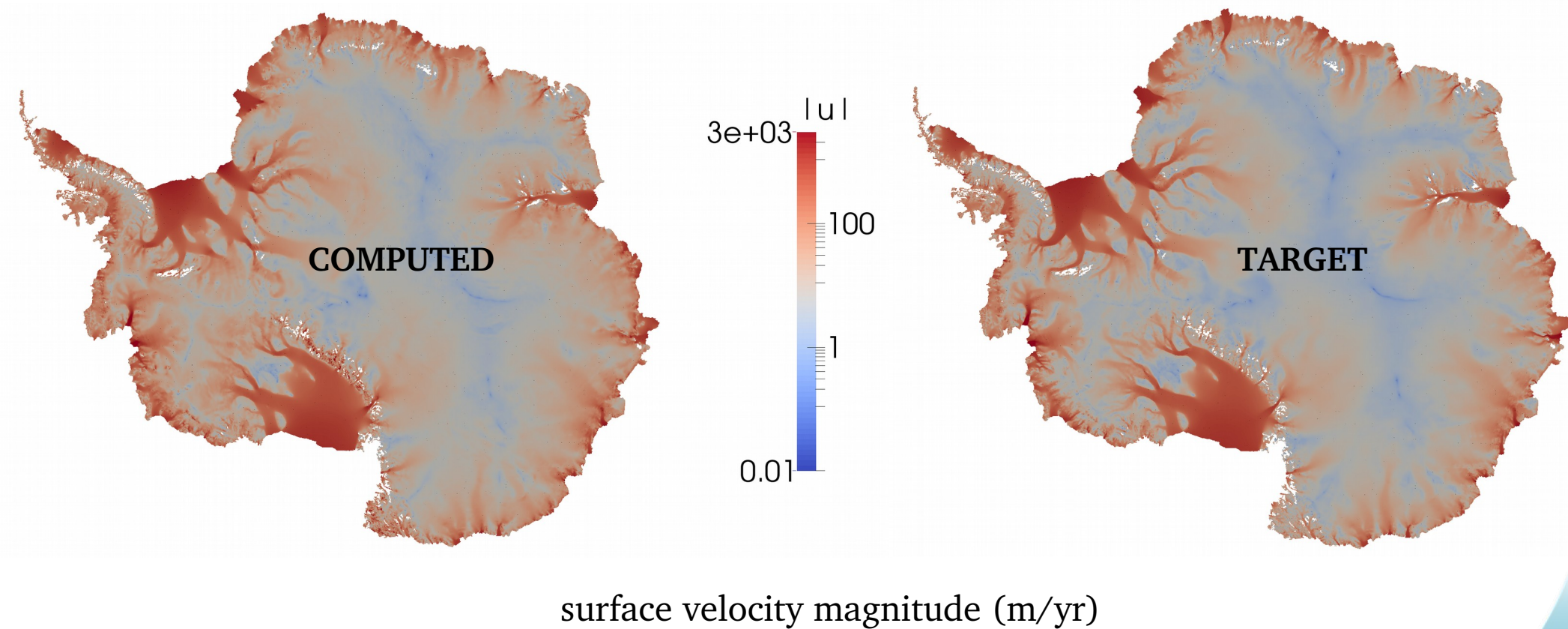
Gometry (Cornford, Martin et al., in prep.)

Bedmap2 (Fretwell et al., 2013)

Temperature (Pattyn, 2010)

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comparison surface velocities, computed vs. target



On-going work

- *Bayesian calibration / Uncertainty propagation*
(w/ M. Eldred, C. Jackson (U. Texas), J. Jakeman, I. K. Tezaur, G. Stadler (Courant) , A. Salinger)
- *Use Hessian of deterministic inversion to estimate Covariance of basal friction distribution* (N. Petra, G. Stadler, O. Ghattas)

